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CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS HAVING ION CHANNEL BLOCKING ACTIVITY FOR THE TREATMENT OF

IMMUNE DYSFUNCTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

November 9, 2001

Sir:

following preliminary amendments and remarks The respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

19. The use according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the disease, disorder or condition relating to immune dysfunction is an autoimmune disease, e.g. Addison's disease, alopecia areata, Ankylosing spondylitis, haemolytic anemia (anemia haemolytica), pernicious anemia (anemia perniciosa), aphthae, aphthous stomatitis,

arthritis, arteriosclerotic disorders, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, aspermiogenese, asthma bronchiale, auto-immune asthma, hemolysis, Bechet's disease, Boeck's disease, auto-immune inflammatory bowel disease, Burkitt's lymphoma, Chron's disease, chorioiditis, colitis ulcerosa, Coeliac disease, cryoglobulinemia, dermatitis herpetiformis, dermatomyositis, insulin dependent type I diabetes, juvenile diabetes, idiopathic diabetes insipidus, insulin-dependent diabetes mellisis, auto-immune demyelinating contracture, encephalomyelitis, diseases, Dupuytren's encephalomyelitis allergica, endophthalmia phacoanaphylactica, enteritis allergica, auto-immune enteropathy syndrome, erythema nodosum leprosum, idiopathic facial paralysis, chronic fatigue syndrome, febris rheumatica, glomerulo nephritis, Goodpasture's syndrome, Grave's disease, Hamman-Rich's disease, Hashimoto's disease, Hashimoto's thryoiditis, sudden hearing loss, sensoneural chronica, Hodgkin's loss, hepatitis hearing haemoglobinuria paroxysmatica, hypogonadism, ileitis regionalis, iritis, leucopena, leucemia, lupus erythematosus disseminatus, systemic lupus erythematosus, cutaneous lupus erythematosus, lymphogranuloma malignum, mononucleosis infectiosa, myasthenia gravis, traverse myelitis, primary idiopathic myxedema, nephrosis, ophthalmia symphatica, orchitis granulomatosa, pancreatitis, pemphigus, pemphigus vulgaris, polyarteritis nodosa, polyarthritis

chronica primaria, polymyositis, polyradiculitis acuta, psoreasis, purpura, pyoderma gangrenosum, Quervain's thyreoiditis, Reiter's syndrome, sarcoidosis, ataxic sclerosis, progressive systemic sclerosis, scleritis, sclerodermia, multiple sclerosis, sclerosis disseminata, acquired spenic atrophy, infertility antibodies, thromocytopenia, idiopathic antispermatozoan thrombocytopenia purpura, thymoma, acute anterior uveitis, vitiligo, AIDS, HIV, SCID and Epstein Barr virus associated diseases such as Sjorgren's syndrome, virus (AIDS or EBV) associated B cell lymphoma, parasitic diseases such as Lesihmania, and immune-suppressed disease states such as viral infections following allograft transplantations, graft vs. Host syndrome, transplant rejection, or AIDS, cancer, chronic active hepatitis diabetes, toxic shock syndrome, food poisoning, or transplant rejection.

20. (Amended) The use according to claim 1 or 2, for the manufacture of a medicament which medicament further comprises a pharmaceutically effective amount of a conventional immune suppressing agent.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended merely to delete improper multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for examination.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the application by this Amendment.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The claims have been amended as follows:

19. (Amended) The use according to [any of claims 1-18] claim 1 or 2, wherein the disease, disorder or condition relating to immune dysfunction is an auto-immune disease, e.g. Addison's disease, alopecia areata, Ankylosing spondylitis, haemolytic anemia (anemia haemolytica), pernicious anemia (anemia perniciosa), stomatitis, arthritis, arteriosclerotic aphthous aphthae, disorders, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, aspermiogenese, asthma bronchiale, auto-immune asthma, auto-immune hemolysis, Bechet's disease, Boeck's disease, inflammatory bowel disease, Chron's disease, chorioiditis, colitis Burkitt's lymphoma, disease, cryoglobulinemia, dermatitis ulcerosa, Coeliac herpetiformis, dermatomyositis, insulin dependent type I diabetes, juvenile diabetes, idiopathic diabetes insipidus, insulin-dependent diabetes mellisis, auto-immune demyelinating diseases, Dupuytren's contracture, encephalomyelitis, encephalomyelitis allergica, endophthalmia phacoanaphylactica, enteritis allergica, [autoimmune] auto-immune enteropathy syndrome, erythema nodosum leprosum, idiopathic facial paralysis, chronic fatigue syndrome, febris rheumatica, glomerulo nephritis, Goodpasture's syndrome, Grave's disease, Hamman-Rich's disease, Hashimoto's disease, Hashimoto's thryoiditis, sudden hearing loss, sensoneural hearing loss, chronica, Hodgkin's disease, haemoglobinuria hepatitis paroxysmatica, hypogonadism, ileitis regionalis, iritis, leucopena, lupus erythematosus disseminatus, systemic leucemia, erythematosus, cutaneous lupus erythematosus, lymphogranuloma malignum, mononucleosis infectiosa, myasthenia gravis, traverse myelitis, primary idiopathic myxedema, nephrosis, ophthalmia symphatica, orchitis granulomatosa, pancreatitis, pemphigus, pemphigus vulgaris, polyarteritis nodosa, polyarthritis chronica primaria, polymyositis, polyradiculitis acuta, psoreasis, purpura, pyoderma gangrenosum, Quervain's thyreoiditis, Reiter's syndrome, sarcoidosis, ataxic sclerosis, progressive systemic sclerosis, scleritis, sclerodermia, multiple sclerosis, sclerosis disseminata, acquired spenic atrophy, infertility due to antispermatozoan antibodies, thromocytopenia, idiopathic [antobodies] thrombocytopenia purpura, thymoma, acute anterior uveitis, vitiligo, AIDS, HIV, SCID and Epstein Barr virus associated diseases such as Sjorgren's syndrome, virus (AIDS or associated B cell lymphoma, parasitic diseases such as Lesihmania, and immune-suppressed disease states such as viral infections following allograft transplantations, graft vs. Host syndrome, transplant rejection, or AIDS, cancer, chronic active hepatitis

diabetes, toxic [chock] $\underline{\operatorname{shock}}$ syndrome, food poisoning, or transplant rejection.

20. (Amended) The use according to [claims 1-19] claim 1 or $\underline{2}$, for the manufacture of a medicament which medicament further comprises a pharmaceutically effective amount of a conventional immune suppressing agent.